

Bristol

Connecticut

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Belongs to
Hartford County
Hartford Labor Market Area
Central CT Economic Dev. Region
Central Connecticut Planning Area

Incorporated in 1785

Demographics

				<i>Race/Ethnicity (1998)</i>			
<i>Population (1998)</i>	<i>Town</i>	<i>County</i>	<i>State</i>		<i>Town</i>	<i>County</i>	<i>State</i>
1980	57,265	807,769	3,107,580	White	54,706	633,007	2,648,212
1990	60,640	851,783	3,287,116	Black	1,455	84,182	274,213
1998	59,224	824,956	3,271,239	Asian Pacific	694	18,711	73,304
2003	58,514	811,828	3,272,149	Native American	91	1,196	5,952
'98-'03 Growth	-1.20%	-1.59%	0.03%	Other	59	1,531	5,336
				Hispanic (any race)	2,219	86,329	264,222
Land Area (sq. miles)	26.51	735.50	4,845	<i>Poverty Rate (1990)</i>	4.35%	7.90%	6.61%
Pop./ Sq. Mile (1998)	2,234.02	1,121.63	653	<i>Educational Attainment (1990)</i>			
Per Capita Inc. (1998)	\$21,174	\$24,032	\$27,078	Persons Age 25 or Older	<i>Town</i>	<i>%</i>	<i>State</i>
Households (1998)	23,506	315,031	1,229,087	High School Graduate	14,679	36.0%	648,366
Median Age (1997)	36.8	37.4	37.2	Some College	9,751	23.9%	495,696
				Bachelors or More	6,303	15.5%	597,693
<i>Age Distribution (1998)</i>							
	<i>0-4</i>	<i>5-17</i>	<i>18-24</i>	<i>25-49</i>	<i>50-64</i>	<i>65+</i>	<i>Total</i>
Male	2,022 7%	5,035 18%	2,222 8%	12,043 42%	4,018 14%	3,350 12%	28,690
Female	1,954 6%	4,930 16%	2,206 7%	12,038 39%	4,300 14%	5,106 17%	30,534
County Total	53,562 6%	137,485 17%	68,473 8%	316,772 38%	126,906 15%	121,758 15%	824,956
State Total	216,119 7%	550,400 17%	280,101 9%	1,257,928 38%	499,093 15%	467,598 14%	3,271,239

Economics

<i>Business Profile (1997)</i>					<i>Top Five Grand List (1997)</i>		<i>% of</i>
<i>Sector</i>	<i>Firms</i>	<i>% of Total</i>	<i>Emp.</i>	<i>% of Total</i>		<i>Amount</i>	<i>Total</i>
Agriculture	38	1.6%	164	0.8%	ESPN Inc.	\$61,916,470	2.39%
Const. and Mining	507	22.0%	1,564	7.5%	Ogden Martin	\$44,929,360	1.73%
Manufacturing	200	8.7%	4,418	21.3%	Barnes Group Inc.	\$23,106,360	0.89%
Trans. And Utilities	49	2.1%	1,754	8.5%	S.F. Bristol LLC	\$20,594,350	0.79%
Trade	545	23.7%	4,300	20.7%	Carpenter Realty Co.	\$16,635,960	0.64%
Finance, Ins. and Real Estate	163	7.1%	1,121	5.4%	Grand List Total (1996)	\$2,590,918,180	
Services	783	34.0%	6,752	32.5%	<i>Top Five Major Employers (1997)</i>		
Government	19	0.8%	684	3.3%	Bristol Hospital	Barnes Group	
Total	2,304	100.0%	20,757	100.0%	Theis Precision	Bristol Press	
					Dana Corp.		
						<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>
					<i>Retail Sales (1996)</i>	\$442,392,013	\$30,837,967,729

Education

<i>1995-1996 School Year</i>			<i>Connecticut Mastery Test Percent Above Goal</i>					
	<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>Grade 4</i>		<i>Grade 6</i>		<i>Grade 8</i>	
Total Students	8,436	461,203	<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>
Total Expenditures Per Pupil	\$7,842	\$8,300	Reading	49 55	59 60	59 64		
Average Teacher's Salary	\$53,938	\$48,598	Math	47 59	42 52	39 51		
Students Attending Public School	84.8%	89.2%	Writing	36 46	36 46	50 51		
Student/Teacher Ratio	15.3	14.5						
Grads Pursuing Post-Sec. Education	74.8%	75.8%	<i>Average SAT Score</i>		<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>		
High School Dropout Rate	6.7%	4.6%	Verbal		493	503		
<i>Average Class Size</i>			Math		511	499		
Kindergarten 17.5	Grade 2 19.1							
Grade 5 24.9	Grade 7 24.8	High School 21.3						

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Government

Government Form	Mayor- Council			Annual Debt Service (1996)	\$7,319,000
				As % of Expenditures	7.9%
Total Revenue (1996)	\$110,901,000	Total Expenditures (1996)	\$92,510,000	Equalized Grand List (1996)	\$3,262,504,494
Tax Revenue	\$70,073,000	Education	\$55,605,000	Per Capita	\$54,824
Non-tax Revenue	\$6,119,000	Other	\$36,905,000	As % of State Average	70.3%
Intergovernmental	\$34,709,000	Total Indebtness (1996)	\$36,811,000	Date of Last Revaluation	10/ 1/87
Per Capita Tax (1996)	\$1,164	As % of Expenditures	39.8%	Moody's Bond Rating (1997)	A1
As % of State Average	81.8%	Per Capita	\$619	Actual Mill Rate (1997)	26.50
		As % of State Average	59.4%	Equalized Mill Rate (1996)	21.07
				% of Grand List Com/Ind (1995)	19.1%

Housing

Housing Stock (1997)	Town	County	State	Sales Price Distribution (1996)	Town	County	State
Existing Units (total)	25,728	353,247	1,374,566	Number of Sales			
% Single Unit	57.3%	59.3%	62.9%	Less than \$100,000	524	5,843	22,254
New Permits Auth. (1997)	88	2,246	9,349	\$100,001-\$200,000	325	5,470	20,713
As % Existing Units	0.34%	0.64%	0.68%	\$200,001-\$300,000	21	1,158	6,600
Demolitions (1997)	18	236	1,193	\$300,001-\$400,000	0	293	2,730
Residential Sales (1996)	874	13,027	56,333	\$400,001 or More	4	263	4,036
Average Price	\$107,081	\$141,257	\$194,596	1996 Characteristics			
Median Price	\$106,000	\$123,500	\$138,000	Owner Occupied Dwellings	14,958	203,609	807,559
				Housing Stock Age - Pre-1950	34.0%	32.6%	33.9%
				Subsidized Housing Units	3,248	45,714	148,930

Labor Force

1997	Town	County	State	Commuters (1990)			
Labor Force	31,769	421,856	1,723,300	Commuters into Town from	Town Residents Commuting to		
Employed	30,037	398,219	1,635,400	1. Bristol	12072	Bristol	12072
Unemployed	1,732	23,637	87,900	2. Plymouth	1324	Farmington	3603
Unemployment Rate	5.5%	5.6%	5.1%	3. Southington	941	Hartford	2509
Total Employment	19,800	489,360	1,581,700	4. New Britain	778	Southington	2095
Manufacturing	4,390	66,350	265,850	5. Waterbury	611	Plainville	1778
'92-'97 Growth Rate	4.9%	0.4%	4.3%	6. Burlington	558	New Britain	1468
Daytime Population	22,688	553,573	1,740,247	7. Plainville	441	West Hartford	890
				8. Wolcott	405	Plymouth	653
				9. Farmington	344	Newington	563
				10. Harwinton	228	Avon	544

Quality of Life

Town	State	Library (1996-1997)	Town	Residential Utilities	
Banks (1997)	21	1,378	Total Volumes	141,437	Electric Provider
Lodging (1997)	5	756	Circulation Per Capita	5.7	Connecticut Light & Power
Day Care Facilities (1998)	29	1,651			1-800-286-2000
Infant Mortality Rate			Distance to Major Cities	Miles	Gas Provider
Per 1,000 Res. (1995)	1.073	0.099	Hartford	14	Yankee Gas Company
Crime Rate (1996)			Boston	109	1-800-989-0900
Per 1,000 Residents	32.8	40	New York City	87	Water Provider
% Open Land (1990)	46.8%	68.8%	Providence	79	Municipal Provider
					Contact local provider
Hospitals (1997)	1	9			Cable Provider
Total Beds	152	2,602			TCI Cable of Central CT
					860-505-6248